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Ladies and Gentlemen:

Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP) has released a Decision notice for the draft Environmental Assessment (EA) regarding a proposal to provide \$8,000 for a shooting range improvement grant to the Cut Bank Sportsman Association (CBSA) for partial funding to convert an abandoned race car track into an Outdoor Shooting Range. The proposed Shooting Range will be 3 miles southwest of Cut Bank, Montana on property owned by the City of Cut Bank and Glacier County and controlled by the Cut Bank Airport Authority.

The Draft EA was posted on FWP's web site and the comment period ran from August 31 to September 17, 2010. A newsrelease was sent out of the FWP Region 4 Office and legal ads ran in the **Great Falls Tribune** on September 8th & 12th, and the Cut Bank **Pioneer Press** on Sept. 9 and 15th, 2010.

Based on the fact that FWP did not receive any objections to the Draft EA, funding for the proposed project is approved and the project will proceed once CBSA has completed other administrative responsibilities required by the grant program.

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